

## LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name ☒ Organization/Lobbying Firm ☐ Self Employed Individual

Washington Council Ernst & Young

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported

Address1 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Address2 SUITE 601  
City WASHINGTON State DC Zip Code 20004 - Country USA

3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ - Country \_\_\_\_\_

4a. Contact Name

b. Telephone Number c. E-mail

5. Senate ID#

BRUCE GATES

☐ International Number

(202) 293-7474 lee.moe@wc.ey.com

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7. Client Name ☐ Self

☐ Check if client is a state or local government or instrumentality

6. House ID#

MERRILL LYNCH

351850062

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2008 Q1 (1/1 - 3/31) ☒ Q2 (4/1 - 6/30) ☐ Q3 (7/1-9/30) ☐ Q4 (10/1 - 12/31) ☐

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report ☐

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ☐ Termination Date \_\_\_\_\_ 11. No Lobbying Issue Activity ☐

### INCOME OR EXPENSES - YOU MUST complete either Line 12 or Line 13

#### 12. Lobbying

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☒ \$ \$ 150,000.00

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$10,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

#### 13. Organizations

EXPENSE relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

14. REPORTING Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- ☐ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only
- ☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code
- ☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature Filed Electronically Date 04/15/2008

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15. General issue area code

BUD

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

General budget issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Executive Office of the President (EOP), Treasury - Dept of

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

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FIN

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS/INVESTMENTS/SECURITIES

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Privacy; deposit insurance; interest in business checking; industrial loan companies (ILCs); corporate governance; IOP allocation; analyst objected issues; savings incentives

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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RET

RETIREMENT

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

General retirement issues; Pension reform; Retirement security

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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TAX

TAXATION/INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

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General tax issues relating to retirement security; other misc. tax issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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